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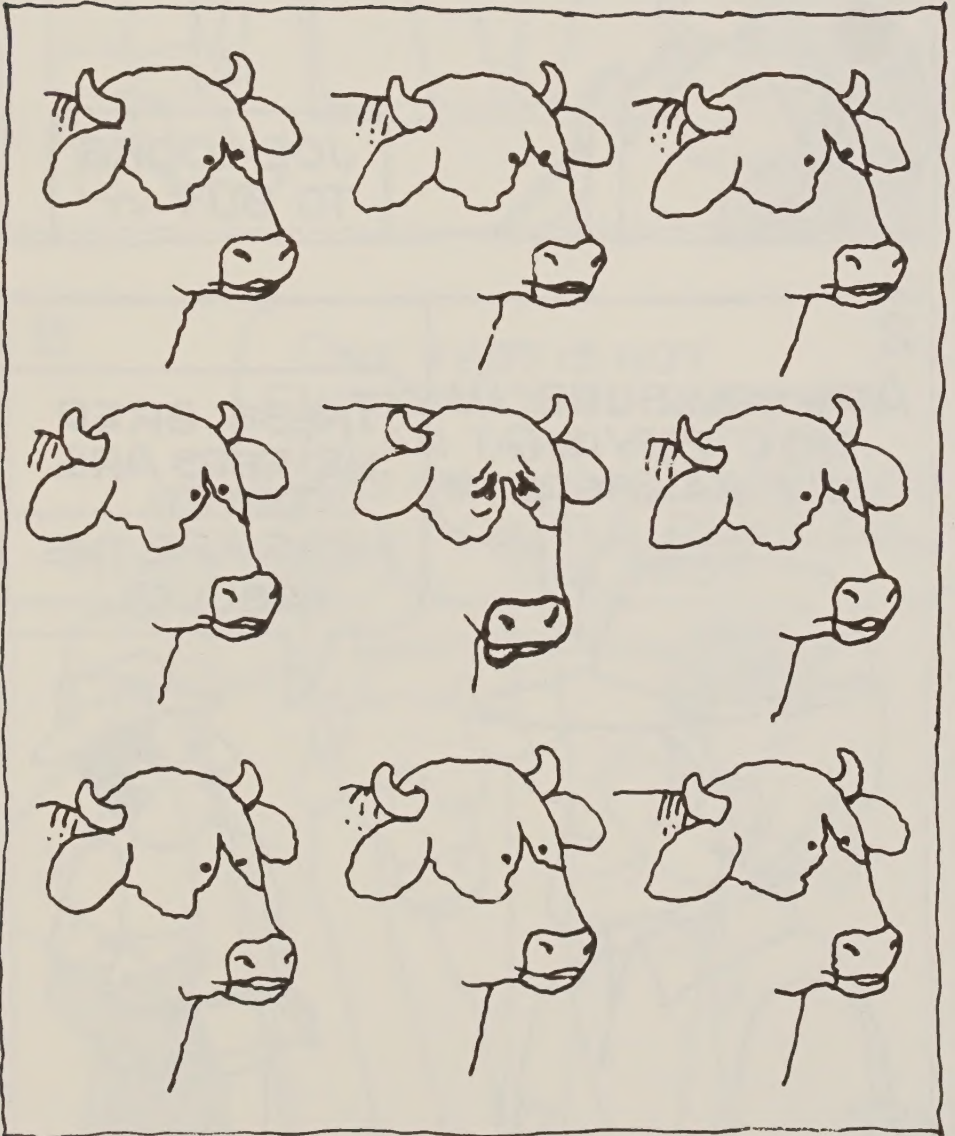
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BRUCELLOSIS**

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NOT ENOUGH!**



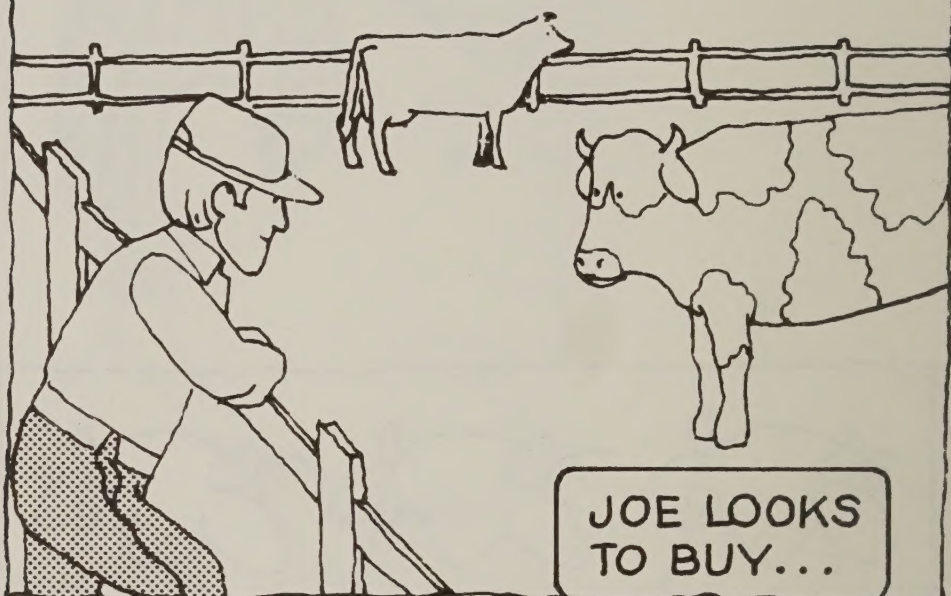
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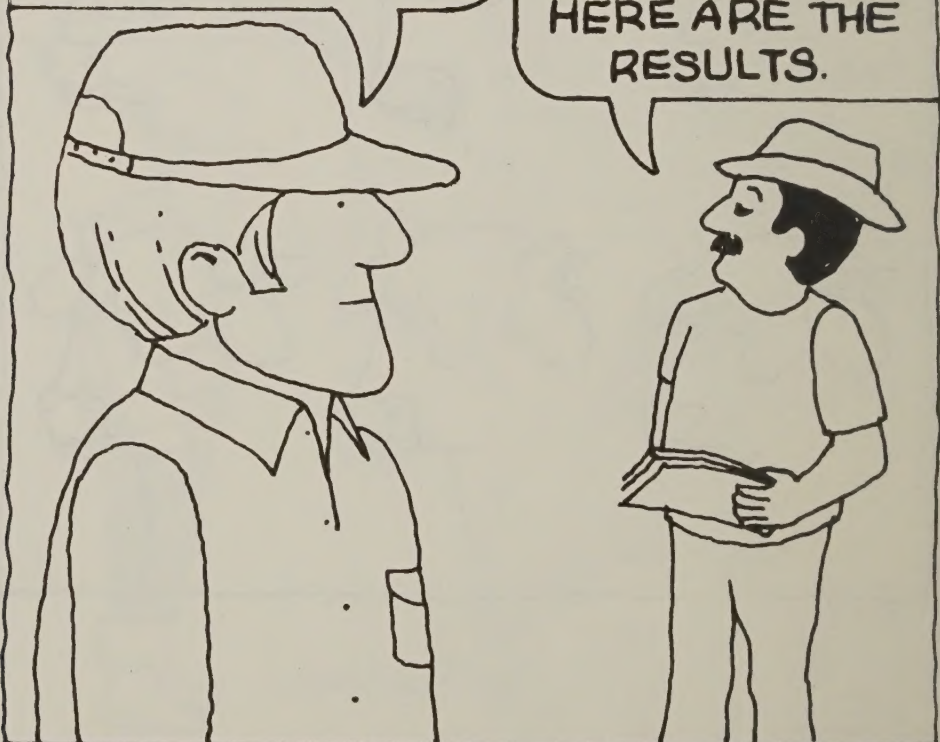


JOE LOOKS  
TO BUY...

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ARE YOU SURE I'M  
NOT BUYING  
ANY BANGERS?\*

THESE BRED  
HEIFERS ARE  
TESTED...  
HERE ARE THE  
RESULTS.



\*BANGERS - SLANG FOR CATTLE INFECTED WITH  
BRUCELLOSIS, ALSO CALLED BANG'S DISEASE  
OR CONTAGIOUS ABORTION.

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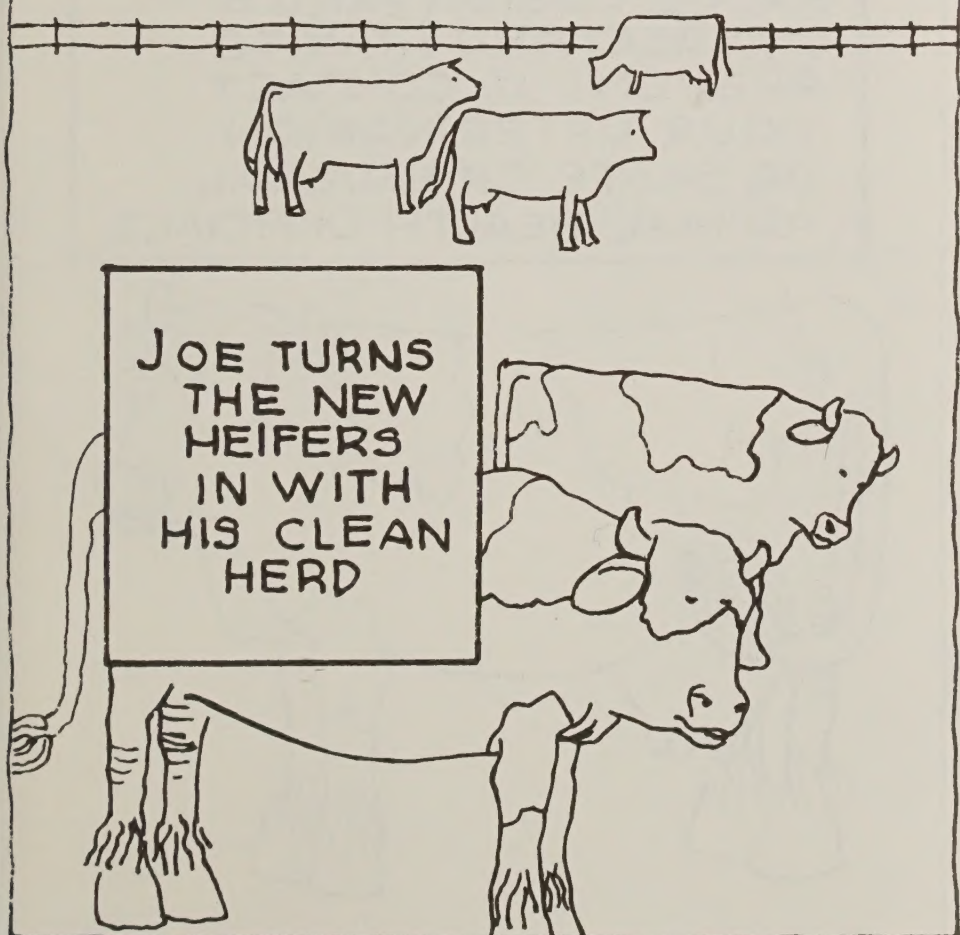
NO NEED TO  
WORRY... ONE  
TEST OUGHTA  
BE ENOUGH.

JOE TAKES  
THE  
HEIFERS  
HOME



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JOE TURNS  
THE NEW  
HEIFERS  
IN WITH  
HIS CLEAN  
HERD





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A FEW  
MONTHS  
LATER JOE'S  
PROBLEMS  
BEGIN...



**ABORTION!**

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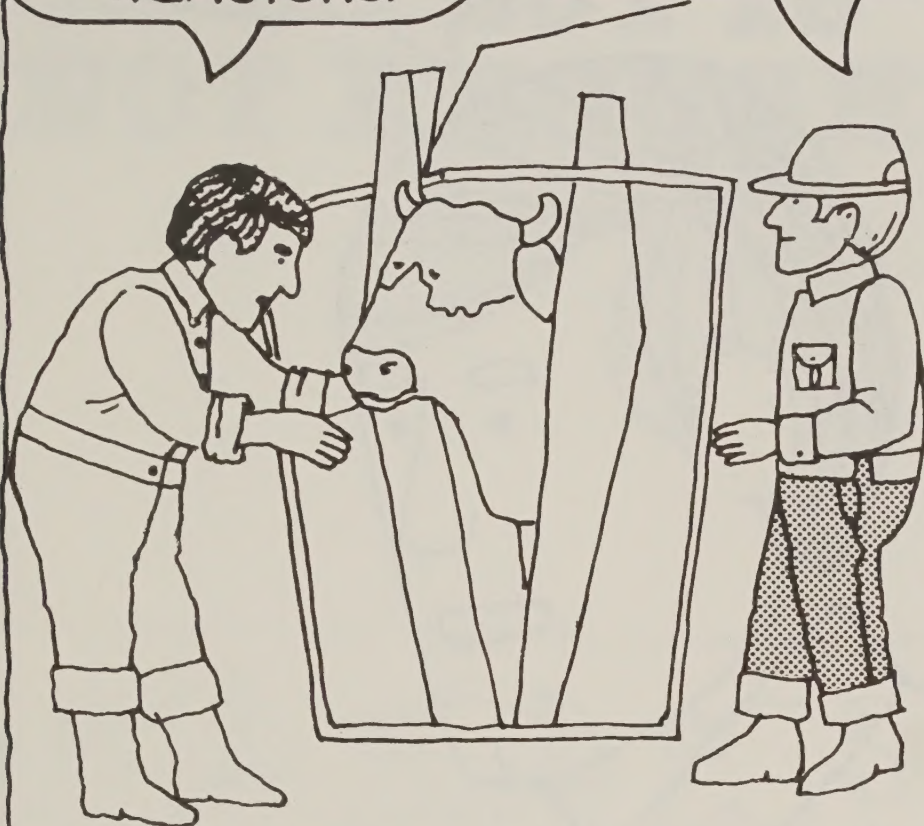
HEY DOC, I GOT  
A PROBLEM.  
TWO OF MY NEW  
HEIFERS LOST  
THEIR CALVES.



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LOOKS BAD, JOE!  
YOU'VE GOT A  
BUNCH OF  
BRUCELLOSIS  
REACTORS.

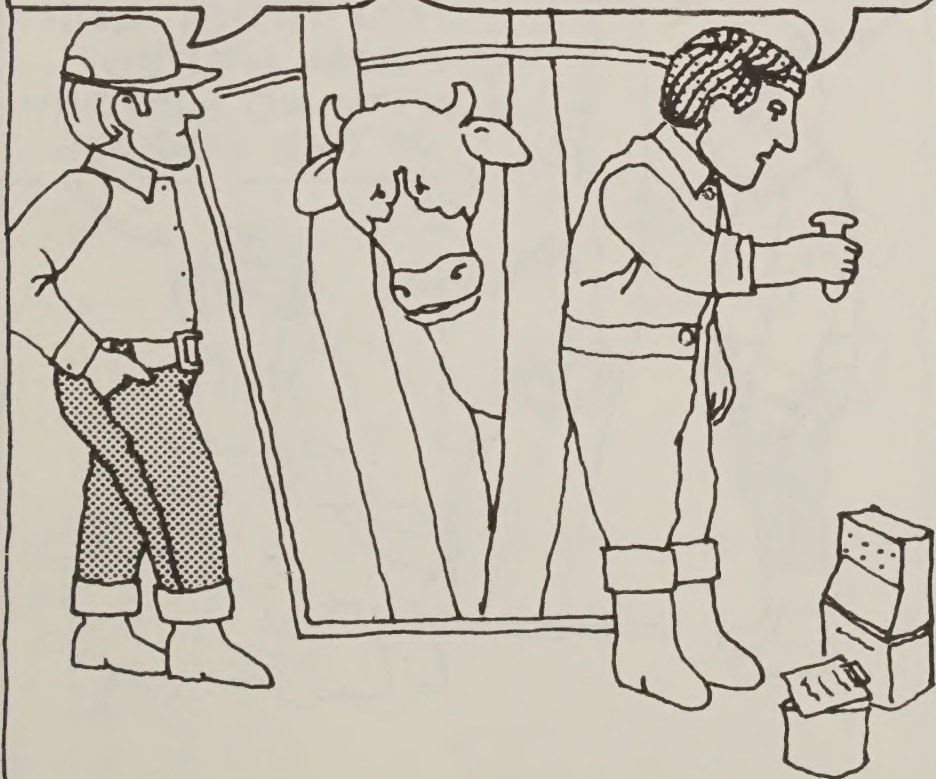
BUT ALL THOSE  
HEIFERS TESTED  
CLEAN! WHAT  
DID I DO WRONG?



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ONE TEST IS NOT  
ENOUGH! ONCE EXPOSED,  
IT CAN TAKE 30 TO 60  
DAYS OR LONGER BEFORE  
CATTLE REACT TO  
THE TEST.

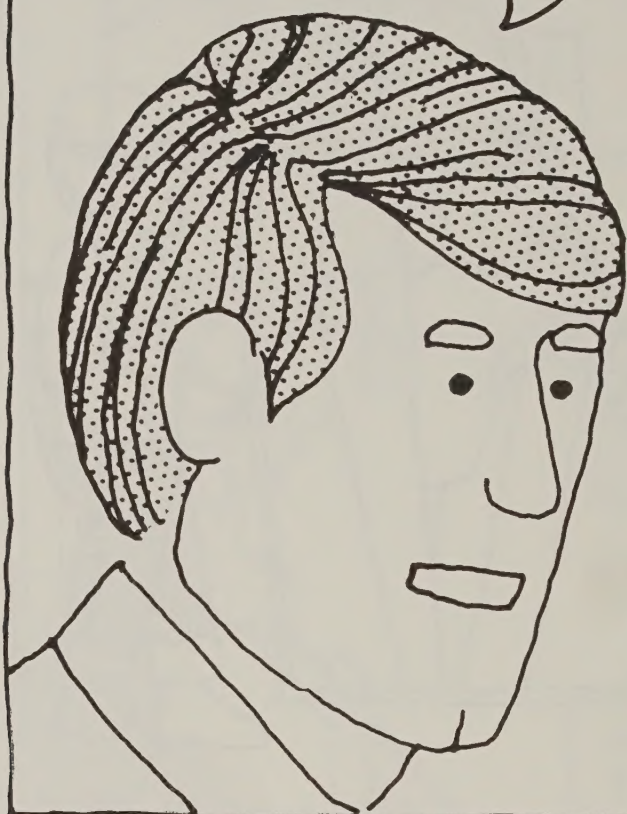
HOW COME?





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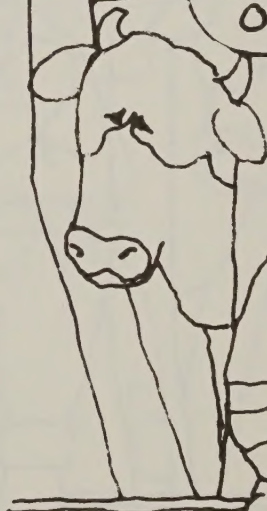
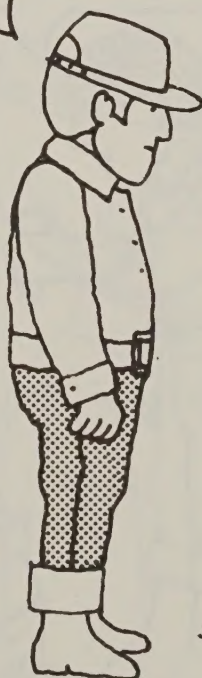
IT TAKES THAT LONG  
FOR THE "BUG"  
TO INCUBATE !



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WHAT  
SHOULD I  
HAVE DONE?

DON'T BUY  
BRUCELLOSIS!  
GET CATTLE  
FROM PEOPLE  
YOU TRUST AND  
FROM HERDS  
WITH NO HISTORY  
OF THE DISEASE.





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EVEN THEN, KEEP THE NEW  
COWS AWAY FROM THE REST  
OF THE HERD FOR AT LEAST  
SIX WEEKS ...



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.. AND THEN  
RETEST THEM! THIS  
ISN'T A GUARANTEE,  
BUT IT'LL FIND MOST  
INFECTED ANIMALS.



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WHAT  
ABOUT  
VACCINATION?

A GOOD POINT! BUY  
ONLY OFFICIALLY  
VACCINATED  
HEIFERS AND MAKE  
SURE THE HEIFER  
CALVES YOU RAISE  
ARE VACCINATED  
FOR BRUCELLOSIS  
AT THE RIGHT AGE.



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TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT  
BRUCELLOSIS (BANG'S  
DISEASE) AND HOW TO  
PREVENT IT, CONTACT  
YOUR VETERINARIAN  
OR STATE OR FEDERAL  
ANIMAL HEALTH OFFICIALS

